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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application, which includes information cited and discussed in the specification, the International Search Report, and the International Preliminary Examination Report issued in connection with International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2003/014709, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application.

Copies of the International Search Report (in English and Japanese) and the International Preliminary Examination Report (in Japanese) were enclosed

with the papers when entering the U.S. National Stage on May 18, 2005. The International Preliminary Examination Report (in English) is submitted herewith, and the Examiner is invited to review these materials to inspect the relevance indicated during international examination with respect to the documents cited therein. The following is a list of the documents cited in the above-noted documents:

- (1) Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-020255, together with an English language abstract of the same;
- (2) Japanese Patent Publication No. HEI 09-110687, together with an English language abstract of the same;
- (3) Japanese Patent Publication No. HEI 09-295942, together with an English language abstract of the same;
- (4) International Patent Publication No. WO 01/72144;
- (5) Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2002-047196, together with an English language abstract of the same;
- (6) Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-017447, together with an English language abstract of the same;
- (7) Japanese Patent No. HEI 7-53653, together with an English language abstract of patent family member Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. SHO 62-292714. Applicants note that this document is cited on page 2 of the specification of the present application;

- (8) Japanese Patent No. 2728306, together with patent family member International Patent Publication No. WO 89/05135. Applicants note that this document is cited on page 2 of the specification of the present application;
- (9) NORDBO et al., "Desorption of Salivary Proteins from Hydroxyapatite by Phytic Acid and Glycerophosphate and the Plaque-Inhibiting Effect of the Two Compounds In Vivo," Journal of Dental Research, Vol. 51, No. 3, pp. 800-811 (1972). Applicants note that this document is cited on page 2 of the specification of the present application; and
- (10) SHINADA et al., Koku Eisei Kaishi (Journal of Dental Health), Vol. 53, No. 4, Subject No. 03-IE0920 (2003). Applicants note that this document is cited on page 6 of the specification of the present application.

Applicants also call to the Examiner's attention the following document:

- (11) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0100514.

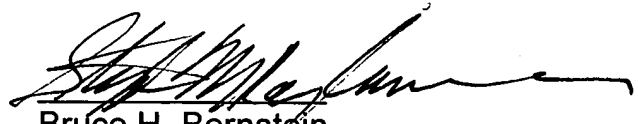
Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98, a copy of the U.S. patent application publication is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the above-noted documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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